THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Seventy-fifth Day.

Monday, Aug. 27.

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., the President, Hon. W. R. Castle, in the chair. Opened with prayer by the chaplain, Rev. E. S. Timoteo. Minutes read and confirmed.

A NEW MEMBER.

Noble Smith presented the certificate of election of Hoa. W. C. Wilder, as a Noble

for the Island of Oahu.

Mr. Wilder was conducted to his place by the Sergeant-at Arms, and his credentials referred to the Judiciary Committee and reported correct.

Nobles Smith and Richardson and Rep. Naone were appointed to wait upon the Chief Justice and request his attendance. The committee brought in Vice-Chancellor McCully, who administered the oath of office to Noble W. C. Wilder.

Rep. Dowsett presented a petition from persons residing in the vicinity of the Chinese Theatre, praying, (1) that no further license be granted to that institution and (2) that the establishment be removed if possible. Referred to a special committee consisting of Reps. Dowsett, Maguire and A. S. Wilcox, Nobles Waterhouse and

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Rep. F. Brown reported the Honolulu Fire Department bill printed. Noble Townsend read the report of the Education Committee on the petition of Mr. J. M. Herring. Committee find questions of law and equity involved in the subject matter of the petition, and recom-mend that it be referred to the Judiciary

Committee. Adopted.

The same Noble read the Education Committee's report on the petition, presented 6th inst., for the removal of the President and Secretary of the Board of Education. Charges against the gentle-men referred to were found to be of so serious a character that the committee cited a large number of the petitioners be-fore them. The first man called hastened to explain that Mr. Geo. Glendon induced him to sign the petition, with the under-standing that it related to the improve-ment of a street, and summed up his testimony with, "Before your honor and before Almighty God I declare that I do not wish these things done at all. Please erase my name from that petition." The second man colled said he signed the petition when its prayer was for a street from Niu-helewai to Wailuakio. He was also induced by Mr. Glendon to sign. man found his name signed to the petition in two places, on different pages. Signed the petition knowingly on the assurance of Mr. Glendon that it was all right. As to his second signature, he says it was attached to a petition relating to a doctor. Number four recognizes his signature but says he did not sign this petition. He signed a petition to allow Meekapu and Kealoalii to doctor lepers. It appears from the testimony of the above and other witnesses that the method of getting signatures was to take slips around to the Fish Market and to other places where people were at work and induce them to sign with the understanding that the paper was to

be attached to a petition later on. The character of the hypothetical petition varied to suit the minds of the signers. Mr. Glendon's testimony was diametrically opposed to that of every witness who testi-fied on any of the same matters. Of the 116 signers of the petition, committee find but two who acknowledge to having signed knowingly. One of them says he signed on the direct and personal assurance of Mr. Glendon that it was all right and that the charges were true; the other signed after a consultation with the first. Re-commend that the petition be laid on the table. The report was signed by H. S. Townsend, A. P. Paehaole, H. Water-house, E. Helekunihi, W. H. Rice, and

Rep. Pachaole read in Hawaiian a re-port of the special committee appointed June 7th to visit Molokai. Interpreter Wilcox read report of the

same committee, in English.

The reports are similar though not identical. Accompanying the English report is a draft of a new bill, relating to Kokuas,

which was read a first time. which was read a first time.

The reports are signed, A. P. Psebsole,
J. Richardson, W. A. Kinney, W. H.
Daniels, E. Helekunihi, F. Gay.

Ordered to be published in two native
papers and 400 copies to be printed in pain-

Rep. Rice reported two bills engrossed.

Noble Dole presented a report of the
Public Lands Committee on the bill to amend the homestead Act, recommending amendments, and with them that the bill pass. Laid on the table to be considered

Noble Smith read the report of the special committee to whom were referred, 18th inst., the amended amendment to the Constitution, submitted by the anti-Asiatic Committee, on the 7th inst. Committee recommend a further amendment. The doubly amended proposed amendment was referred to the Printing Committee, with instructions to have it printed by Tuesday

Rep. Kamauoha moved that the Attorney-General be instructed to take proceedings against Mr. Glendon for sending a petition containing malicious statements to the House, and that the report of the Education Committee on said petition be referred to His Excellency for his guidance in the matter.

Noble Townsend said he would have to

vote against the resolution. Mr. Glendon undoubtedly deserves punishment for his action, but we cannot afford to be vindictive. Aside from this matter Messrs. Bishop and Smith have information which they could use to put him in prison, yet they have been too magnanimous to push the matter. Even if we do not pass the resolution they or the Attorney-General can prosecute the case if they deem it advisable to do so. This is not so important a matter as to require any binding action on the part of this House. He moved that the resolution be laid on the table, Carried.

QUESTIONS TO MINISTER.

Rep. Naone asked the Minister of Interior. (1) if it is true that Mr. Gribble had not filed his tender for the grading of Ala-kea and Halekauila streets when the other tenders were opened, (2) if it is true that the tender was awarded to Mr. Harrison, and afterwards withdrawn and given Mr. Gribble, (3) what is the reason the contract was given to Mr. Gribble if his tender was not in at the advertised time?

Noble Townsend asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the Noon recess, one hour.

Afternoon.

Re-assembled at 1 o'clock.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Rep. C. Brown read a report of the Judiciary Committee on bill No. 126, relating to tax appeals, referred to them, 22d inst., submitting amendments with which they recommend that the bill pass. Laid on the table to be considered with the bill.

a ORDER OF THE DAY. Laborers' License-Consideration of the Laborers' License bill, submitted, 7th inst., by the Special Committee appointed, June 19th, on the Anti-Asiatic Union petition and other matters relating to Chinese.

Rep. C. Brown moved the bill be indefi-

the minority report of the Special Committee, submitted 25th inst. Indefinitely postponed on the following

Ayes—Green, Ashford, Wilder, Young, Notley, Wall, G. N. Wilcox, Kalaukoa, Na-one, Kauhi, C. Brown, Deacon, Kauhane,

Kamauoha, Paris, Nawahine, Daniels, Helekunihi, Gay, Paehaole—20.

Noes-Thurston, Smith, Waterhouse, Wight, Townsend, Bailey, Richardson, Dole, Hustace, Dowsett, Jr., F. Brown, Kinney, Maguire, Horner, Kawainui, A. S. Wilcox—16. S. Wilcox-16.

Taxes—Third reading of the bill to amend internal tax laws. (The proposed amendment was printed in full in the P. C. A. report of proceedings of the 24th

Minister Green moved to amend by inserting the word "agent" before "frustee.

The bill, so amended, passed. Traveling Agents—Third reading of the bill relating to traveling agents. Passed. Spirituous Liquors—Third reading of the bill: to better prevent illicit traffic in

spirituous liquors. Passed. Suits with Government—Third reading (fourth time) of the bill relating to the bringing of suits by or against the Govern-

Passed. Noble Smith said to bury this bill out of ight, he would move "reconsideration." The motion was put and lost. Fish Protection—Third reading of the

fish protection bill. Rep. Nakaleka moved indefinite postponement. The motion was lost on the

following division: Ayes—Waterhouse, Luhiau, Notley Richardson, Kalaukoa, Naone, Kauhi, Kamauoha, Nawahine, Daniels, Helekunihi, Kawainui, Rice, Gay, Nakaleka, Pae-

haole—16.

Noes — Thurston, Ashford, Wilder,
Young, Smith, Wight, Wall, Townsend,
Hitchcock, Bailey, G. N. Wilcox, Dole,
Hustace, Dowsett, jr., C. Brown, F. Brown,
Deacon, Magnire, Kauhane, Paris, Horner,

A. S. Wilcox-22, The bill passed, Alcohol—Third reading of the bill for the importation of alcohol for medical, etc.,

ponement. Lost. The bill passed. Homestead—Second reading of the bill, introduced by Minister Thurston, to amend the Homestead Act. Passed, with

Noble Wight moved indefinite post-

amendments, to be read a third time on Civil Service—Reconsideration, moved 24th inst., by Noble Makee, of the indefinite postponement vote on the Civil Ser-

vice Reform bill, introduced the previous day by Noble Townsend. Lost. RESOLUTION

Noble Townsend moved: Whereas, It is desirable that the counry should be possessed of fuller statistics regarding all questions of social and economical importance than have yet been obtainable, and it is the province of the national census to furnish such informa-

And, whereas, there is no specific direction in any of our statutes authorizing or directing the furnishing of such informa-tion, and the next census will be taken in

December, 1890; Therefore be it resolved that a Commission consisting of three members of this House be appointed by the President to examine into the subject of the census and report to the Legislature of 1890 such changes in the present system and laws as they deem desirable. Adopted. Recess at 3:52 to 7 o'clock.

Evening.

Re-assembled at 7 o'clock, the Hon. J Kauhane, Vice-President, in the chair.

THE APPROPRIATION BILL. Consideration of the Appropriation Bill in Committee of the Whole, Noble Waterhouse in the chair.

The following items passed: Circuit Judge, Maui, \$4,000, traveling expenses, \$200; Circuit Judge, Hilo and Kau, \$3,600, traveling expenses, \$200; Circuit Judge, Kohala and Kona, \$3,600, traveling expenses, \$200: Circuit Judge, Kauai, \$3,600, traveling expenses, \$200; Clerk, 2d Judicial Circuit, \$600; Clerk, 3d Judicial Circuit, \$1,000; Clerk, 4th Judicial Circuit, \$600.

Running expenses Honolulu Electric Inspector of Immigration, \$4,800. Minister Ashford moved, with a view to referring the matter to a committee for investigation, return by Wong Kim of opium, destroyed in the burning of the

d Station House, \$700. Minister Thurston moved the committee commend the house to refer the matter

to the Judiciary Committee. Rep. C. Brown moved the house be reommended to lay the item on the table. Minister Ashford moved to insert an

item: Sundry expenses in aid in carrying out the Chinese Restriction Act, \$2,000. Carried. Building and repairs of school houses

\$20,000 inserted in Section 1 and \$25,000 in Section 3, total \$45,000. Normal Department in connection with Fort Street school, \$2.250. Likelike Funeral Claims, \$10,772 71, in-

serted in Section 3. Governors, Governors' Clerks and incidentals of Governors' offices to August 23, 1888, \$5,000.

At 9:52 the Committee rose. The House resumed and the report of the Committee of the Whole was accepted, except the item, salary Circuit Judge of Maui, which was referred back. Adjourned at 9:55 to 10 o'clock Tuesday

Seventy-Sixth Day. TUESDAY, Aug. 28.

The House met at 10 o'clock, the President, Hon. W. R. Castle, in the chair.

Minutes read and confirmed. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES. Noble Hitchcock presented the report of the Committee on the taro flour bill, recommending that the bill do'pass. Accepted to be considered with the bill.

Rep. F. Brown reported the Constitution Amendment bill printed. NOTICE OF NEW BILL. Minister Green gave notice of a bill to smend section 21 of the Tax Laws of 1882

BECONSIDERATION. Noble Smith moved that the matter of

the claim of Wong Kim, laid on the table last evening, be taken from the table for further consideration. Carried. ORDER OF THE DAY. Election Law .-- Consideration of

election bill in Committee of the Whole, Rep. Kawainui in the chair. Sections 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98 and 99 passed, some of them with amendments.

Committee rose at 12:06, the House resumed and took recess to 2:15.

Re-assembled at 2:15. A quorum was

obtained at 2:83. COMMITTEES RE-ORGANIZED.

Owing to the departure of Nobles Baldwin and Foster and Rep. Kinney to the Coast, the following changes in Commit-tees were announced by the President: Sanitary Committee—Nobles Dolz, Not-ley and Wilder, Reps. Daniels and Kau-

hane. Judiciary—Rep. Paehaole in place of Rep. Kinney.
Finance-Noble Smith instead of Noble

Foreign Affairs-Rep. Deacon in place of Noble Baldwin. nitely postponed.

Noble Smith moved it be taken up and considered with amendments proposed by to amend the homestead Act. Passed.

Election Bill.-The Election bill was taken up in Committee of the Whole, Rep. Kawainui in the chair. Section 100 was referred to a select com-

Sections 101, 102 and 103 passed. Noble Smith moved to insert a new ection relating to duties of inspectors of Schedules B and C were struck out.

The remaining schedules were amended The Clerk was directed to renumber sec-

tions and schedules where necessary. The Committee rose at 4:53. The House resumed, when the Commit-

tee of the Whole reported. Noble Smith moved to amend the report by referring sections 58, 63, 99 and 100 to a special committee. Carried; and a committee appointed consisting of the Attorney-General, Nobles Smith, Waterhouse and Richardson and Rep. Kauhane.
Adjourned at sharp 5 to 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Seventy-seventh Day.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 29 The House met at 10 o'clock, the President, Hon. W. R. Castle, in the chair, Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. E. S. Timoteo. Minutes read and confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE. Rep. F. Brown reported three bills printe i.

MINISTEE ANSWERS QUESTIONS. Minister Thurston read the following, in answer to Rep. Nakaleka's questions:

1. The appropriation for the encouragement of the cultivation of cinchona has been disposed of as follows: Cinchona seed, \$168 70; Mr. Forsyth's

services to February 13, 1888, \$412; \$589 70. The balance of \$1,429 30 remains in the

2. That Mr. Forsyth has been in the employ of the Government from August 13, 1887, to July 31, 1888.

The salary which was agreed to be paid Mr. Forsyth was \$200 a mouth, he paying his own traveling and other ex-

4. The Government has not given any O. U.'s for Mr. Forsyth's salary Through inadvertence he did not draw the salary due him between the 13th of February and the end of March. Since the lapse of the period, and consequent lapse of the unexpended balance of approprintion, there has, or course, been no pay ment to Mr. Forsyth. He has rendered several bills to the Government on the basis above stated up to and including the 31st of July, which I have approved, and which I have told him would be paid upon the passage of the appropriation bill, out

of any available appropriation.

5. The propositions made by Mr. Forsyth and the proposed action of the Government were stated at the time the appro-priation was asked for in 1887. It was in orief as follows: Mr. Forsyth was on the ground with unquestioned evidence that he was what he represented himself to be viz.: a practical coffee and cinchona planter and cultivator, who had been employed as an expert in other countries in connection with the introduction of such industries. He proposed to the Govern-ment and his proposition was ac-cepted, that he should make a detail examination of the different districts of the Kingdom, and report upon the suitability of the same for cinchona and coffee culture; and at the same time to disseminate information and stimulate

an interest concerning the same. The question of developing these indus-tries and the best methods of so doing received much personal attention on the part of myself, and was considered a number of times by the Cabinet. With regard to cinchona, investigation showed that from several causes the prices had declined to such a figure that there was little profit. But with coffee the outlook was entirely different. Statistics show that the consumption is increasing faster than the production, and the price steadily rising After much discussion of different plans it was decided, with the concurrence of the Cabinet, that a system on the lines of the bill which has been passed by the House, would best accomplish the object, and Mr. Forsyth was informed of the action proposed, and an outline of the proposed Act was given to him with the statement that the Government would introduce a bill in accordance therewith. He has acted on that information, and has done his best to create an interest in the subject, and as a result of his efforts, in conjunction with those of the Government, I am assured by those who are willing to invest their money, that the capital will be forthcoming to place the plan proposed by the bill in oper-

As to what has been accomplished by engaging Mr. Forsyth's services, his report in the Interior Report speaks for itself, and it is saying no more than the truth to give him the credit of having overcome the well nigh universal indifference and opposition and created the present interest in the in-dustry which is felt in the community. Had it not been for the efforts of Mr. Forsyth, and the interest created by him,

the subject of coffee cultivation would not have been brought before the House this session. As a result of the action of the House I hope and expect that, under the bill referred to, a thorough and well equipped coffee plantation will be inaugurated within the next few months. I propose to pay for this service out of any proper appropriation made by the Legislature, and shall propose an item for that purpose which by inadvertence has been omitted from the estimates.

NEW BILL.

Minister Green read, a first time, a bill to amend Section 21 of the tax laws of 1882 Rep. C. Brown moved that the bill be not referred to the Printing Committee. Carried. ORDER OF THE DAY.

Mait liquors—Noble Robinson moved to take from the table and place on the regu-lar order, the bill relating to license and sale of malt liquors. Carried. Oahu Railroad—Second reading of the

bill relating to steam railroads on the island of Oahu, submitted by the special committee, 7th inst., instead of the original bill, introduced June 7th, by Noble Castle, on the same subject, with amendments re-commended by special committee, 24th

Referred, with amendments, to the Printing Committee. Taxes—Second reading of the bill: "to amend Section 15 of Chapter XXXVII. of

amend Section 15 of Chapter XXXVII. of the session laws of 1886, and Section 46 of Chapter XLIII. of the session laws of 1882, relating to taxes," submitted by the Fi-nance Committee, 16th inst., in place of the bill on the same subject, introduced by Rep. Kamaucha, July 9th, with report of Judiciary Committee, 27th inst., thereon. Passed, with amendments, to be read a

third time on Friday.

Fire Department—Second reading of the bill: relating to the Fire Department of Honolulu, submitted, 23d inst., by the select committee, appointed June 15th. Rep. C. Brown moved this bill be laid on

the table. Lost. Considered section by section.
Rep. Kamauoha moved that Section 1

be struck out.

Minister Thurston wished to hear some over 100 per cent.

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The advertisement for tenders is made. reasons for the motion. The bili was pre-pared by a committee of the House, after a great deal of care and attention given to the subject, Committee had conferred with a committee of the Fire Department and the latter body have approved of the provisions and improvements set forth in

Noble Young said that the proposed

met the committee for consultation on one occasion in the hall under the bell-tower. Noble Smith said the main point in the first section is the placing of the Depart-ment under the direction of the Minister of Interior. As hitherto constituted it does not seem to have been responsible to

Section 1 passed as in the bill. Section 2. Rep. Hustace moved to strike out the clause providing for a special elec-tion of Engineers in June, 1889. Carried. The section, so amended, passed. Noon recess, one hour,

Afternoon.

Re-assembled at 1 o'clock. A quorum was obtained at 1:09. Honolulu Fire Department bill con

Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 passed as in Section 10. Minister Thurston moved to strike out the words "and generally to exercise such powers as have been custo marily exercised by the representatives of the Honolulu Fire Department." Carried. Rep. Hustace moved to substitute for "benefit of the Fire Department," in the 10th line, the words, "faithful performance of his duty." Carried.

The section, so amended, passed.
Section 11. Minister Thurston moved to insert "and" between the words "only" and "shall," in the 7th line. Carried.

The section, so amended, passed, Section 12. Rep. Hustace moved an amendment in line 6, instead of "the law or the Constitution of the Fire Department," the words, "law or the." Carried. The section, as amended, passed. Sections 13, 14, 15 and 16 passed as in the

Section 17. Minister Thurston moved to strike out the words, "and give the alarm of fire until the community are aroused." Carried.

Passed, as amended. Section 18, Rep. Hustace moved to amend line 2 by substituting "wherein are" for "on which shall be." Carried. Rep. C. Brown moved to substitute "defined" for "designated," in lines 5 and 9.

Carried. Passed, as amended. Section 19 passed, as in the bill. Section 20. Rep. C. Brown thought this

ection rather rough.

Minister Thurston said the burning of rubbish is an intolerable nuisance in some parts of the city. There ought to be some better way of disposing of rubbish than by imposing it on one's neighbors in the form

Further consideration of this section was leferred. Sergeant-at-arms—Mr. President, I beg to announce that an officer is in waiting earing a message from His Majesty.

The President—Let him come in. The officer entered, handed the President sealed package, and retired. Sections 21, 22 and 23 passed as in the bill. Section 24, passed, with "the Fire Mar-

shal" inserted in the 2nd line. Sections 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32, passed as in the bill. Section 33.—Rep. Hustace moved to inert "provided" in line 7, after the word Carried. Passed, so amended.

Sections 34, 35, 36 and 37, passed as in the

Section 38.—Rep. Hustace moved to amend, by striking "that may be" out of the first line, inserting "Treasurer of the" at the end of the 2nd line, and "and also inform the Chief Engineer of such payment" at the end of the section. Carried

Section 39 .- Minister Thurston moved to substitute "corner of Hotel and Fort streets" for "Bell Tower of the Honolulu Fire Department.' Noble Widemann objected to the change. The location of the Bell Tower is an old and well known landmark.

Minister Thurston withdrew his amend-

nent. Noble Young moved to insert in the 2nd

line "present site of the" before Bell Tower. The section, so amended, passed. Section, so amended, passed.
Sections 40 and 41 passed as in the bill.
Section 20.—Rep. Hustace moved this
ection be considered. Carried.
Noble Waterhouse moved it be struck

out. Carried. Rep. Hustace moved an amendment in the 6th line, "a radius of one mile of the present site of the Bell Tower." Carried. Minister Thurston moved to insert the words "any rubbish or" in the 6th line before "any bonfire."

The President announced a message from His Majesty, which was read by the Clerk, as follows: To the Honorable W. R. Castle, President

The bill passed to engrossment, to be read a third time on Thursday.

THE FOURTH VETO MESSAGE.

of the Legislative Assembly of the Kingdom, Sir: The bill entitled "An Act to Encourage the Cultivation of Coffee." has been submitted to us for approval. I re-turn it without my approval for the follow-

ing reasons, viz.: First. It is not right nor just to the tax-payers of the Kingdom to grant a subven-tion of so large a sum for the furthering of a private enterprise.
Second. No objection exists to giving subventions in aid of private enterprises;

but this should be done by granting boun-ties for what have been produced. Third. Such bounties should be given to all who embark their private capital in a new enterprise and achieve success, not to one person exclusively.

Done at our Palace at Iolani Hale, this

29th day of August, A. D., 1888. Kalakaua Rex. RESOLUTIONS.

Noble Smith moved that the House return to the order of business "resolu-tions." Carried.

Minister Thurston moved that the consideration of the Veto Message and the re-turned bill be taken up on Monday, Septmber 3d, at 2 o'clock p. m. Rep. Kamauoha moved it be taken up

Rep. Nakaleka moved it be taken up at 2 'clock p. m. on Friday next. Minister Thurston accepted Rep. Nakaleka's amendment, and the day was set accordingly for Friday at 2 o'clock. RECONSIDERATION.

Noble Hitchcock moved reconsideration of the vote by which the third reading of the bill relating to taxes, passed this day, was set for Friday. Carried, and the third reading of the bill was set for Thursday. MINISTER ANSWERS QUESTIONS.

Minister Thurston read the following: In reply to the questions of Rep. Naone in the matter of the grading of Alakea and Halekauila streets, I beg to reply:

1st. It is not true that Mr. Gribble had not filed his tender for the grading of Alakea and Halekauila streets when the other tenders were opened.

2d. It is not true that the tender was awarded to Mr. Harrison and afterwards withdrawn and given to Mr. Gribble. The reply to the first two questions covers the third. I would further explain this transaction

as follows:

All public works of this description are in the Department of the Superintendent of Public Works. Whenever it is proposed to let out work by contract, plans and specifications are drawn up and an estimate made in that office of the reasonable cost of such work, in order to give a basis for judging tenders, which frequently vary

in the name of the Minister of the Interior, and final award of the contract is subject to his approval. Such approval is never given until after consultation with the Superintendent of Public Works, and comparison with the

estimate of the cost. If the bids reasonably approximate the change of amalgamating the offices of Fire
Marshal and Survey Engineer had the approval of a large body of firemen who had

right to reject all bids, being placed there The custom has been for bidders to hand their bids either to the Minister, a clerk in the Interior Office or to the Super-intendent of Public Works.

In this particular instance Mr. Gribble handed his bid to the Superintendent of Public Works on August 21st, the time for receiving bids being fixed at noon on the

At noon on the 22d I opened the bids that had been handed to the clerk of the Interior Office and myself, not then knowing that any bids had been handed to the superintendent.
Mr. Harrison's bid was for \$2,385 40, and

was the lowest, then opened, the others ranging up to \$4.540.

Mr. Harrison was present, and asked if his bid would be accepted, or words to that effect. As I did not know what the Superintendent's estimates were, and he was not present, I replied that this was in the Superintendent of Public Works department, and I should have to consult him before making any decision. At 2 o'clock the Superintendent of Public Works came to my office to confer with me on the subject. He then stated that he had a bid, received the day before from Mr. Gribble, which he produced, and which was for \$1,500. He also showed me the estimates prepared in the office, which were for \$1,300.

As Mr. Gribble's tender was reasonably approximate to the Government estimate it was accepted. As the next highest bid was for over \$1,000 more than and nearly double the Government estimate, it would not under any circumstances have been Had Mr. Harrison's bid been accepted,

under the circumstances, it certainly would have been a reprehensible failure. on my part, to guard the public interests. BILLS AWAITING APPROVAL. Minister Thurston reported four bills presented to the King for signature.

ORDER OF THE DAY. Amendment to Constitution-Second reading of the proposed Anti-Chinese amendment to the Constitution. Rep. C. Brown moved to amend the first

line by inserting after "may," the words "with due regard to vested rights." The same member moved to amend line 11, after the word "sugar," to insert "or in other agricultural pursuits,"
Noble Smith moved an amendment to

strike out the word "or"in line 28, and in-sert in place thereof the words, "nor to Noble Dole moved to add to the end of the article the words, "nor to children and descendants of Chinese parents who may be born in Hawaii and shall not leave the

The matter was debated until 4:45, when the House adjourned to 10 o'clock Thurs day morning.

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